2004 Cold Related Fatalities

In 2004, 27 people died from hypothermia, compared to 20 in 2003. This total is still below the 10-year average for cold related fatalities: 27. Illinois took the dubious honor of most deaths, with 17. Pennsylvania was a distant second at 4. Of those deaths 27 deaths, 16 (59%) occurred outside and 10 (37%) in a permanent home. Unlike past years, the death toll was much heavier for males, 63% males to 37% female. In 2003, the split was event between males and females. Once again seniors were the hardest hit group, with 26 deaths in the 80-89 age group.

| STATE | <u>IW</u> | <u>MH</u> | <u>OT</u> | <u>OU</u> | <u>PH</u> | <u>VE</u> | TOTAL |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| IL | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 7 | 1 | 17 |
| MS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| NE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| NJ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| NY | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| OR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| PA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 4 |
| TX | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| TOTAL | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 10 | 1 | 27 |
| PERCENT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 59 | 37 | 4 | 100 |

| | FEMALE | MALE | <u>UNKNOWN</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | PERCENT |
|----------|---------------|------|----------------|--------------|---------|
| 0 TO 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| 10 TO 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 TO 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 30 TO 39 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| 40 TO 49 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 19 |
| 50 TO 59 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 15 |
| 60 TO 69 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| 70 TO 79 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| 80 TO 89 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 26 |
| 90 TO | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| UNKNOWN | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 11 |
| TOTAL | 10 | 17 | 0 | 27 | 100 |
| PERCENT | 37 | 63 | 0 | 100 | |

LEGEND IW - In Water MH - Mobile Home OT - Other/Unknown OU - Outside Open PH - Permanent Home VE - Vehicle